

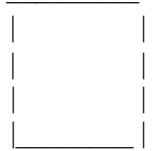
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The Council is an organization comprised of many of Colorado's motor vehicle clubs, our Associate [business] Members and our Individual Members too. The Council exists and acts to be a watchdog over and guardian of the Rights of Colorado's Motor Vehicle Enthusiasts, no matter what type, brand or vintage Motor Vehicles their interests embrace. The Council works to guard the Rights of you - the Colorado Motor Vehicle Enthusiast to own, operate and enjoy the use of your Motor Vehicles, against any adverse legislation, regulations, or ordinances whether pending or proposed.

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Who's New...

- **Ron Neff** is new Rep for Looking Glass Corvette, welcome! Thanks to **Carl Pannell** for his good service and time spent as LGCC Rep. [*..PS - need your club's 2009 MI form please... wbc*]

What's New...

- **Contribution to Council's GRC funding...** ...several clubs have been generous in donating their Swap Meet Shares back to the Council to help support our Governmental Relations Committee's work, and paying our Lobbyist Leo Boyle. At the February meeting Gary Canady presented President Baker with a check for \$280 from the Pontiac-Oakland Club - Colorado Chapter's membership. This was not only testimony for their supporting raising the Member Assessment to \$4 - it was an voluntary doubling of their total for 2009.

Thanks to POCI's members. And to all you other club's and club members who contribute extra, donating back swap meet shares - and contribute in many other ways.

- **Neat slide show, rods, customs, bikes...** ..checking out couple other things, this caught my eye - so watched, enjoyed it. Maybe you will too... <http://www.autorama.com/casi/index.html>
 - **Seniors Day..? Free admission...** ..lest I forget to tell you, just saw that at the Denver Auto Show in April, [see Calendar] **Wednesday only**, will be free admission for all Seniors, i.e. those 65 and older. So now you Seniors can stand at the door on that Wed., wait and watch to find out who all those who've been "telling you they're younger" are! See which they're more of, vain or 'thrifty'..? HA...
 - **In "the Latest Scoop"...** ..Tracy E has piece in "the Latest Scoop On" section you shouldn't miss. Basically relates, letter to the Editor of a W.Va. newspaper written by a Ford dealer takes on the U.S. media's not better informing the public [*..why this in our "What's New" - sarcastic humor of course...*] about our US Auto Industry? Anyway, dealer/ piece notes; GM outsold Toyota by about 1,200,000 units in the U.S., and led the world in sales beating out Toyota by 3,000 units. Meanwhile, Ford outsold Honda by 850,000 units and Nissan by 1,200,000 units just in the U.S.!
- So why wouldn't U.S. media give our automakers credit where it is clearly due? Does media make too many comments about our 'building cars nobody wants to buy?' Are our dealers torturing all these domestic buyers into buying or what..? Must be, eh? Media couldn't not know those statistics...
- **Council NLs by e-Mail...** ..should be flowing properly this month. Have finished creating new e-m address "**occc.secy@gmail.com**" finally just went ahead and entered from scratch a whole new list of the couple hundred+ addresses. Except - for clubs and/or individuals who have not yet turned in a updated for 2009 Member Info form yet..? I have picked up some changes from club NLs and updated from that. Otherwise, can't change what I don't know to..?

Club Views & News...

- **Classic GTO Assn, Denver...** NL had *lotsa pix* of members taken at their Annual Meeting/ Dinner at Blossom's Restaurant in Heather Gardens. Nice eve with social time planned to give everyone something to remember and chat about - as a continuous slide show flashed across 'a big screen' delivery of some 500 pix of the year's club events and 'National' throughout the evening. Lots of smiling faces amongst the good venue and the good memories.
- **VMCCA, Royal Gorge Chap...** ..had a good time at their Valentine's Day Dinner meeting and party. [*..appears somebody there is big on lovey-dovey stuff, NL printed on pink paper, loaded with arrow pierced hearts...*] Are beginning to plan for this year's repeat of their Annual Car Show at the Holy Cross Abbey. An event well staged every year for - how long now..? Schedule this one in...
- **Southern Colo A's...** ..NL cover has neat snowy, wooded scene with postman reaching out from his "Model A mailtruck" to put Valentines into mailbox. [*Say, all this lovey Valentine stuf, is there something in the air, water down there in the Southern part of the state or something..?*] Good pix from Annual Meeting/ Dinner with lots of smiling faces.
- **Cadillac-LaSalle Club...** ..are planning a Summer driving tour to Crested Butte in August. Are busy gathering names of those who want to caravan to their nationals in Las Vegas..? *That* is one city you don't have to twist arms to get company to go along with you, eh? Happy motoring on both guys...
- **the "Thunderword" - from Rocky Mtn Tbird Club...** ..tells us about a tour to the Rambler Ranch, are looking forward to their upcoming Chili Cook-Off. And for their Summer fun the club's planning to head West for "Bird Bath '09" on the Western Slope, prob. GJ area. [*..bath? Got a rain date..?*]

- **Hudson-Essex-Terraplane Club...** ..did a tour to LeMay Museum followed by lunch. Good article in NL about John Soneff's history with Hudsons and descriptions of some of his collection of eighteen - vehicles, which yes, does include a Terraplane. [*..can't you picture younger types out there asking, "what is a Terraplane..?"*]]
- **Early Ford V-8 Club...** ..busy folks keeping busy with seminar on "Evolution of Ford Trucks," a tour to Colo. Railroad Museum, and worked in a display of Ford Collectibles at their Feb. meeting. Photo montage showed, reminded of their events though the year. A nice touch.
- **Pontiac-Oakland Club...** ..February's meeting/ social event, interesting one. "Memorabilia Meeting." Members bringing photos, albums, many items of automobilia/ memorabilia to share. Gets lots of interesting goodies, conversation, etc. Some neat dealer, factory promo items do pop up, etc...
- **Colorado Springs Rod & Custom...** ..did a garage tour ending with a tasty BBQ lunch. Followed with a tour to "Streamline" businesses; showroom, Vintage Parts, Gennie Shifter and the newest venture, Denver Duece. Did a club display with 8 cars and 2 pickups at the "Hot Rods and Cool Bikes Show." Now are getting busy with work to be prep'ing for hosting this years Thin Air Nats...
- **Model T Club, Mile High Chap...** ..are going outdoors to get wild and crazy..? Or is it..? Oh, are just crazy about *that* kind of wildlife? Are going to gather, head off to SE Metro to take "the Wildlife Experience" tour. A museum to connect visitors with wildlife and habitats. Interactive exhibits, large format film, fine art, natural history and educational programs.
- **Historic Vintage Truck Assn., Intermountain Chap...** ..are working, busy with planning for hosting their National HVTA Show & Meeting in July at Grove Regional Park. Have plans for more fun throughout the Summer. Look forward to touring the show-field of their meet. Best wishes...
- **Well...** ..that's all the NLs received this month, so that's all club news I can pass along. If your club has changed NL Eds might check to see if the Council didn't carry over on your NL Mailing List?
- **New Mexico Council...** ..and clubs are addressing legislation requiring 2 license plates be 'worn' on all vehicles. So far have only gotten exemptions for Horseless Carriage plated vehicles. [*..don't know if they have YOM plate provisions there..?*]

Just Misc Bits of...

- **Why automakers don't sell a car that gets 50 mpg..?** Piece in recent on-line "Newsweek" written by Keith Naughton has interesting 'quote.'

He relates comment, "If you want better fuel economy it's just a question of when auto companies want to do it and when consumers decide they want to buy it," says Don Hillebrand, a former Chrysler engineer who is now Director of Transportation Research for Argonne National Laboratories, continues, "Auto companies can deliver it within a year."

Read art. for yourself at <http://www.Newsweek.com/id/130439?tid=related> ...

- **Didja hear about...** ..the 'techie guy' was finishing up his Brass Era auto's resto? Goes on-line, Blogs question, "Where can I go in Metro Denver to get my [brass] horn polished?" Didn't take long to get him a reply - *from a gal out working E. Colfax..?* Oops...

Other Matters...

- **That nasty ole' Carbon Dioxide is really gonna' get it now..!** Yep, hear from friend in DC that EPA is now ready to go after CO² sources, emissions..?

Well most of us know, remember from grade school science classes even, that green plants take in CO² and as part of photosynthesis, release Oxygen. But remember, *that is only during the daytime*, at night they release CO². So does this mean the EPA will be *ordering* our forests, all the prairie grasses, your lawns, shrubs and trees to "stop releasing CO²" now?

Will they cut down the forests if the trees don't give up this egregious act? Turn the sod of all of our prairies? Will you be fined or 'charged a fee' for the CO² your yard growth releases..? This could be interesting, eh..? Course if all the greenery is reduced exposed soil will, like asphalt, absorb and retain more Solar heat? Let's see, that means it will get even warmer around all those inner city spots they go measure temps for global warming at. Oh, just be new supporting data..? Right...

- **See the latest volcanic eruption on TV News?** Not a very big one as far as the range of volcanoes goes. But an impressive event nonetheless. Helps to put into perspective things that impact life here on earth, wind, weather, sunspot activity, oceanic currents, so much more? Remember Mt. St. Helens going off? Having to stop at car wash to power spray away the ash on way home from work for how many days? And that's how far away?

Let's see, Yellowstone Lake is a caldera. The sunken mouth of a "Super-Volcano." 65 miles across I think? Bottom of the lake been rising for last how many years now? And USGS Geologists say it's now some 5-6,000 years *overdue* to blow? Got Hot Dogs? Marshmallows? Nomex underwear..?

- **Anyone know about, can fill us in...** ..on reported 'talk' about more/ expanding photo-radar use/ what new infringements of your liberty might be being looked at, evaluated vs revenue production? Where? By whom? Etc...? Especially want to know anything about their not being contestable..!? Will mailmen have to wear black boots, click heels to deliver those tickets..?
- **National League of Cities...** ..has elected Northglenn Mayor Kathie Novak as their President for 2009 at it's annual convention. She has previously been on their Board, Advisory Council, International Council, and chaired both the Leadership and Conference Planning committees and served on several others. She also represents NLC as a member of the Board of the National Association of Regional Councils.

Some Known Bills / Actions of Interest in / to Colo. are...

Status of Bills in Colorado. To not duplicate, those Bills reported on by Council Lobbyist Leo Boyle during the last General Meeting are reported on in the 'Minutes of the General Meeting' - unless an update is included here. Listed briefly here are Bill numbers and brief abstract of those believed to be of impact or possible impact on the Enthusiast, whether currently being worked or in waiting.

- **SB 108. Re vehicle registration fees...** ..stated to create funding for repairs to Colo's roads and bridges is now passed in the Senate, moved on to the House, is being discussed. The responses from clubs initiating letter writing efforts by their club members from the e-m'd Legislative Alert you all received, seems to have had an impact. Thanks to you all for getting those out...

I expect Keith and Lobbyist Leo Boyle are staying on top of the status of this, working on it. Have no update at the moment, but we will certainly be given current status, etc. at the March meeting. Keith might [?] put special reports on the Council's web site to keep you informed?

- **Have no reports** on any other Colo legislation, etc. at this time...

Updates and Items from SEMA...

This is info received by Joe Baker, who may paraphrase to send to the Council. Joe does a real service to us in doing this. More complete info can be obtained from Steve McDonald at SEMA, stevem@sema.org on specific issues.

- **NO SEMA eNews..?** Well, lets one more time hope that no news is good news?

Items from SAN Newsletter...

Info from SEMA Action Network's monthly NL, passed on to keep you and your Club Members informed of things in other states - that you can bet will come here too - if they create revenue or give more control.

PROBLEM ITEMS / AREAS TO WATCH...

- **Cash For Clunkers...** is now gaining momentum in DC with the settling in of the new Congress and President all leaning in the same directions. Now working on drafting, funding proposals for some new variety or other of another likely to be ill-advised CFC bill. Many auto dealers and manufacturers are petitioning Obama staffers to support a Federal Scrappage Program funded with Federal dollars.

The belief is that low-income families will trade their clunkers for \$1,500 or \$2,000 and then - *rush to buy a new car!?* [*..if they're already low income how will they afford new car pmts, fees, taxes, etc..?*] Is this part of some plan to eliminate/ decrease vehicle use, increase high density housing use that is needed for RTD to survive, grow? Help trap people wanting to better themselves in inner cities..?

Plus some boneyard owners are already drooling at the prospect of carting off hulks that they have to sell for the couple thou proposed vs taking a few years to maybe sell that much from one?

How will this affect you directly? "OLD CARS" will be looked upon, positioned as detrimental to the environment, be labeled as such. Hurting enthusiasts immediately in some ways, long-term in others. Reduction of cars to get parts from will begin immediately of course.

- **Mass. Governor VETOES a Pro Street Rod / Custom Vehicle Bill** that was passed by the Mass. Legislature. After two years working with the Mass. Legislature to refine and pass their new SEMA draft based bill - **Gov. Deval Patrick (D)** pocket-vetoed the bill at the end of the session! In one form or another this SEMA Model Legislation has been passed in 16 states, incl. Colo.
- **Montana HB 69 amends vehicle exhaust laws to prohibit increasing the sound level** from that of it's original manufactured level.
- **New York AB 197 creates a replacement tire energy-efficiency requirement** for passenger vehicles and light trucks.
- **New York AB 798 would reduce window tinting darkness levels**, require 90% of light must be allowed in - change from current 70% requirement.

- **Texas SB 119 would implement California Low-Emission vehicle program** for new vehicles 2012 or later bought in Texas.

SOLUTIONS...

- **So. Carolina HB 3081 to require informing of presence of data recording device** in a vehicle. Would require a sticker on the windshield and info being in owners manuals to inform buyers.
- **So. Carolina SB 199 will create a “Historic Vehicle” plate for vehicles 25 years or older.** [*..gee a sliding window! Makes a lot of sense doesn't it? How should Colorado do that..?*]
- **Mississippi HB 142 creates \$2,000 tax credit for the purchase of a hybrid electric vehicle** that meets National Low-Emissions Vehicle Standards. [*..see NY SB43 below...*]
- **New Jersey AB 3579 would add a vehicles exhaust sound level to vehicle inspections.** [*..solution - if it solves curbside judgement tickets by C.O.P.s...*]
- **New Mexico HB 46 creates a certificate of title for salvage vehicles brought back to roadworthy condition necessary for safe operation on the roads.**
- **New York AB 317 would allow for the reduction of insurance premiums for vehicles retrofitted with daytime running lights.**
- **New York SB 43 would require all vehicles to emit a minimum exhaust sound level** to aid in the safety of the blind when pedestrians. [*..use the “chug-chug-chugger” from an old Lionel train..?*]
- **Oklahoma SB 7 amends the tax credit for purchase of clean-burning motor vehicles to 2020.** Also adds natural gas powered vehicles to approved lists.
- **Oklahoma SB 12 would create a tax credit for vehicles that have been [being?] modified to use clean burning fuels.** [*..sound good to all you guys who used to run Top Fuel on Alcohol..?*]

NL Humor for the Month...

- Comes to us from the GTOAA, Classic's NL:

I didn't fight my way to the top of the food chain - to be a vegetarian.
Author Unknown.

Words From The Wise...

“In our current time of crisis, government is not the solution to our problems.

It IS the problem!”

Ronald W. Regan (1911-2006)
40th President of the United States of America.

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MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING of Wed. Feb. 04, 2009.

Held at the Forney Transportation Museum 4303 Brighton Boulevard Denver, Colo. 80216.

The Meeting was called to order by 2009 President Joe Baker at 7:33 PM.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting.

President Baker asked if there any corrections to or omissions from the minutes. There being none, it was moved, seconded and voted affirmatively to accept them as submitted.

Secretary's Report. 2009 Secretary Pro Tem, Bill Colburn.

- 50 clubs were represented tonight.
- to date, 29 clubs have renewed; there are 0 new clubs; there were 54 clubs in the Council in 2008.
- to date, 0 Associate Members have renewed; there were 2 in the Council in 2008.
- to date, 1 Individuals have renewed; there were 3 in the Council in 2008.

- Renewals have been received from 11 clubs - prior to tonight.

- Last month the NL was sent to 206 by e-m and to 62 as hardcopy.

Treasurer's Report. 2009 Treasurer, Tom Kay.

Treasurer Kay reports the following summary, as of 31-Jan-2009:

ASSETS:

- Balances of Accounts:	<u>Current.Bal</u>	<u>\$ in.</u>	<u>\$ out.</u>	<u>Prev.Bal</u>
Operating Account	\$1,058.29	670.00	90.00	\$478.29
Governmental Relations Acct	2,650.00	2650.00	0.00	0.00
Swap Meet	13,671.59	0.00	0.00	13,671.59
Swap Meet Pre-Reg'n deposits	350.00	0.00	0.00	350.00
Car Show	0.00	.	.	0.00
Colfax Avenue Cruise	+ 1,166.13	+ 0.00	- 0.00	+ 1,166.13
Total - Accounts.	<u>\$18,896.01</u>	<u>\$3,320.00</u>	<u>\$90.00</u>	<u>\$15,666.01</u>
 - Liquid Assets in Deposit:				
Checking Acct	\$18,896.01	3,320.00	90.00	\$15,666.01
Swap Meet Deposit	300.00	.	.	300.00
CD Acct	+ 0.00.	+ 0.00	- 0.00	+ 0.00
Total - Liquid Assets.	<u>\$19,196.01</u>	<u>\$3,320.00</u>	<u>\$90.00</u>	<u>\$15,966.01</u>

LIABILITIES:

- Amounts Owed / Liabilities:	<u>Current.Bal</u>	<u>\$ in.</u>	<u>\$ out.</u>	<u>Prev.Bal</u>
Lobbyist [\$3,750: Mar, Jun, Sep, Dec]	\$ 0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Pre-paid Swap Meet Deps	350.00	.	.	350.00
Other - none at this time	+ 0.00	+ 0.00	0.00	+ 0.00
Total - Liabilities.	<u>\$350.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$350.00</u>
 Net Worth.	 <u>\$18,846.01</u>	 <u>+\$3,320.00</u>	 <u>\$90.00</u>	 <u>\$20,082.94</u>

- **Acceptance:** President Baker asked if there any questions or corrections. There being none, it was moved, seconded and voted affirmatively to accept the Treasurer's Report as submitted.

Governmental Relations Committee / Lobbyist's Report. 2009 Chair; Keith Hall.

This committee exists to pro-actively seek to identify and acquire copies of statutes, regulations, ordinances, rules, etc. both proposed and in-place that will, or do affect any aspect of your ownership, taxes, insuring, maintaining, repairing, or uses of your vehicles; to study them, report on all such, make recommendations to the Council as to nature and/or actions to take; to act to build good relations with any appropriate Colorado Legislators, governmental agencies, quasi-governmental agencies and/or NGOs to defend, promote and support the best interests of the Council.

Lobbyist Leo Boyle reports:

- He says he spent the day dealing with SB 108 that's the one which increases registration fees. I wish I could tell you I had good news for you. The Bill passed on second reading... Let me tell you a little about how this process works.

When a bill is introduced it has to pass in both houses. The House of Representatives and the Senate, it doesn't matter which house it starts in. Then it has to be signed by the Governor. It is first introduced it is run across the desk the first time it's called the first reading, but there is no vote. Then it is assigned to a committee. In the case of most our bills they will go to the Transportation Committee. And it has a hearing in front of the Transportation Committee. Comments can be made at that time. And if it has a fiscal impact it might go to the Finance Committee. And in the Appropriations Committee if the State has to appropriate money. And then it could die in any of those Committees, or it could get amended in any of those committees. Then if it passes all of those committees then it goes to the full body in that house. There it is debated on the floor. The public does not participate in that stage, though we can suggest amendments to be considered. Now that was, today was the second reading. It was an all day affair. Started on it at 9 this morning, worked until 11:30. Adjourned, came back at 4:00 and worked until right now. And the Bill passed. We wanted some amendments or concessions in it, and we were unsuccessful in getting those. And it passed on a 21 to 14 vote.

Now let me tell you about this bill, where it came from. It was introduced last year, toward the end of the session. I talked about it at the time. The Bill died, because they hadn't thought it out. But there was a Blue Ribbon Commission appointed by the Governor. Large representation from the business community, and other interested parties, counties, municipalities, Dept of Transportation. Those of you that have been there have heard me talk about 126 or 139 defective bridges we have in Colorado. Of course the bridge collapse in Minnesota last year dramatized the danger of these defective bridges. But what has really happened is the downturn of the economy. 40,000 jobs have been lost in Colorado building trades in just the last six months. So this Bill is being pushed by the Chambers of Commerce, by the construction industry, the roads industry, people who build roads and bridges. And of course the State is concerned for the loss of all these jobs [and tax revenues] and they are saying how do we jumpstart the economy. That gives you the background of where this Bill is coming from.

There was a presentation made in January by **Michelle Blakes**, was the head of the Chamber of Commerce, he was the head of this commission, it was a bi-partisan group, made a presentation at the Capitol, I was there for it, the Governor was there. They were hoping it would be a bi-partisan effort. It turned out to be primarily, it's the Democrats who control both the Senate and the House, as well as the Governor who are carrying the water on this. It was an interesting political thing because generally the Chambers of Commerce and the Construction Industry are the people who support the Republicans, and the Republicans are now voting against their biggest backers. It is being sold primarily as a job

related thing for Colorado. It is also a way of fixing these bridges and these roads.

The debate was fascinating. I've been lobbying for 39 years, I thought it was one of the best debates I've ever heard in 39 years. But that doesn't solve your problems. Doesn't solve our problems.

I went to first of all, I think I reported last month, that I'd gone to Joe Rice who is the House sponsor of this Bill. The Bill hasn't gotten to the House yet. So I went to the Transportation Committee, I explained to every member on the committee what our concerns were about the Bill... ..let me refresh your memories about it. When I talked to Rep. Rice, who is the House sponsor of the bill, he said, "Leo, we can't start exempting people. Because the minute we start exempting one group everybody wants to be exempt." And I said, "Okay. I explained to him that we had a different set of circumstances." He said, "Everybody has a different set of circumstances." He was very up front with me. So I said, well OK the Bill doesn't start in the House, so let me go over to the Senate, see if I can talk to the Senators.

So I went over to the Senate, I went to talk to Dan Gibbs. He said I can see what you're talking about. I talked to the other members of the committee. The Democrats said we're going to follow what Gibbs wants on this thing. So I continued to talk to Gibbs, I talked to him twice a day. Yesterday, and he said "We're working on it..." I think he was just stalling me. So we've gotta have a different approach when we go to the House.

The Bill will have a third reading tomorrow in the Senate. Third reading they have to get three key votes, they'll get those easily. It'll go to the House. Let me be very honest with you. You have 97,000 Collector Plates in the State [...a lot of revenue...] it's just not going to happen. We might be able to get the Horseless Carriage plates, there are only 2,577 of them.

What they're trying to do is raise approximately \$250,000,000. And we can say they can raise revenue other ways. We'll if they want to raise gas taxes it has to go to the vote of the people. They want to have shovel ready jobs' for 3,000 people by June 2009. That's the line they're using. And even if they do raise that, and it's going to be bonded. And then there is the question of how will they pay for maintenance?

Are we happy about this? No. Can we do something about it? Maybe? We've got to change our approach when we get to the house next week. We've got to work with the Democrats, the Democrats control both Houses. The Republicans aren't going to manage the vote, they are all beaten down. The vote changed a little bit today, the mileage thing came out today. Tolling came up. Not for new roads, tolling existing roads. There are all sorts of problems there. But the question is how would that work?

Leo provided further background and strategies. Told us he will be continuing to work things, keep us informed. Questions and comments from the floor, etc. Bottom line - much to come. Was also discussion on penalty fees that are being proposed/ looked at. Those too are being worked. TBD.

SEMA Report. 2009 Contact and Reporter; Joe Baker.

SEMA, the Specialty Equipment Manufacturers Association is a trade group whose members are the people who manufacture all the aftermarket products used to maintain, repair, upgrade, improve or modify your Motor Vehicles. This group has done more to inform and guard against harmful acts than any other.

Joe reports:

- Joe has forwarded information for you throughout the month - not being part of the General Meeting, it is provided to you in the Newsletter. *wbc]*

WebMaster Report. 2009 webmaster, Keith Hall.

Keith reports:

- No report tonight.

Car Show Committee. 2009 Chair; *open*.

The Car Show Committee is responsible for studying, proposing, then organizing and conducting an Annual Car Show event to bring to prominent display, some quality, representative vehicles from all of our member clubs for the purpose of exhibiting and evidencing to the general public that our Collectible, Special Interest and Historic Motor Vehicles are of positive areas of interests. Objective, to educate and gain public support.

Committee presently inactive.

Swap Meet Committee. 2009 Chair; Gary Canady.

The Swap Meet Committee is responsible for studying, proposing, then organizing and conducting an Annual Swap Meet at which the Council has vendors come in to present for sale their variety of NOS, NORS, repro or vintage original parts to all our Motor Vehicle Enthusiasts and the general public. Objective is to support the needs of our Colorado Motor Vehicle Enthusiasts and to help create operating funds for the Council - as it has since 1968.

Gary reports:

- this year the Meet will be a one day event. It will be held at Adams County Fairgrounds on Saturday Aug. 22nd, 2009.
- Ad is in next issue of the Latest Scoop, out soon. Flyers too.

Colfax Avenue Cruise. 2008 Chair; Dick Thompson.

This proposes and organizes an annual event to be held along Colfax Avenue in Metro Denver. Objective is to hold a largish event for Colorado Motor Vehicle Enthusiasts to bring out, drive and have an 'adult show & tell.' Meant to be an enjoyable event for all, and as another opportunity to visit with and exhibit ourselves to the general public as responsible and respectable, to gain public and legislative support.

Dick reports:

- The Havana Cruise will be held on Saturday June 20th, 2009.
- The Colfax Avenue Cruise will be held on Saturday Sep. 19th, 2009.
- Cruisin' Oldies 950 and they are going to be the official media sponsors. I've had several discussions with the biz improvement districts along Colfax and that looks like a source for some additional funding. I've talked with all the sponsors from last year, but all want a lower rate from last year because of the economy.

Old Business.

- No Old Business discussed tonight.

New Business.

- Six convertibles are needed for the St. Patricks Day Parade in Denver on Sat 14-Mar. Will carry the DJs from Cruisin' 950. Call Dick Thompson to get info, volunteer.
- Dick notes that the artwork for the 2009 Cruise logo was done by Craig Augustine, is a good artist and prices are reasonable.
- Pres. Baker previewed the proposed 2009 Budget noting that there are things the Council does need to do, to get in the future, such as a computer and software, etc. for the Secretary, Treasurer, etc. so that the functions can be 'handed over' to office successors without having things regress or crater with each change - but such was not included in the budget under current conditions.

Treasurer Kay picked up here, made a brief, to the point detailed review of the budget for everyone. There were a few questions, all were clarified and answered satisfactorily. Motion was made, seconded, voted affirmatively to accept.

Announcements, Reminders & Miscellanea.

- Tony Martin, 2009 Rep for the Pikes Peak Hill Climb tells us that this year in conjunction with the Hill Climb events there will be a Car Show held at the park on the East end of Manitou Springs, beginning at 10 AM on Sat 18-Jul. All are invited to show. Consider staying, picnic, watch the climb the 19th. Can get info on RMVR web site or the Climb's site www.PPIHC.com.
- The new High Plains Raceway is coming along fine, is on schedule, shaping up well.
- **2009 Dues are due! Club Presidents and/or Reps please follow up on this with your clubs.**

Possible Agenda Items for Next Months Mtg.

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Next General Meeting.

- Next General Meeting will be held Wednesday March 04th at 7:30 PM, at the Forney Museum.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:17 PM by President Baker.

Respectfully Submitted,

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William B. Colburn, 2009 Secretary Pro Tem

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Calendar of Events - 2009.

The Council maintains and provides this list to publicize events your club is holding and other events that may be of general interest to everyone. Information below is what has been provided by Club Reps or others. ALWAYS call and check it out! For this list to be useful, provide us a written note - with complete basic info, as per below.

HELD ON: EVENT: HELD BY, for MTR VEH'S, LOC'N and CONTACT:

Feb

- Fr-Su 27-29 Salt Lake City Autorama. by Parts Plus & Autorama Shows, since 1973; Scads of Neat rides, \$14.50a/ \$5c>6; F 15-22:00/ Sa 11-22:00/ Su 11-19:00, at South Towne Expo Center, in Sandy, Utah. Info on-line at www.autorama.com/casi/show/saltlakecity.html .
- Fr-Su 27-01 KC MO World of Wheels. by World of Wheels Shows, since 1959; Neat rides, \$15a/ \$5c>6; F N-22:00/ Sa 09-22:00/ Su 11-20:00, Bartle Hall, . Info on-line at www.autorama.com/casi/show/kansascity.html .

Mar

- Fr-Su 06-08 Detroit Autorama. by Autorama & others, since 1951; LOTSA neat MVs, \$15a/ \$4c>6; F N-22:00/ Sa 09-22:00/ Su 11-20:00, at the Cobo Center. www.autorama.com/casi/show/detroit.html .
- Sa 07 Winter Wipeout Swap Meet, by Pro-Promotions; \$? admn; **08-14:00**, in beautiful very suburban Monte Vista. Info? Call Larry at 719.378.2656
- Fr-Su 13-15 Bike Super Show [in Abq] - and Benefit for all American Veterans, w portion to NM Vets... by ☹; lotsa 2 wheelers, \$10a Adm; at New Mexico State Fairgrounds, Albuquerque. Info 505.363.4455 or www.rt66racing.com .
- Sa 14 St. Patrick's Day Parade - Dvr by Chamber of Commerce?; all Mvs; in downtown Denver. For info call 303.738.3981
- Sa 14 St. Pat's Day Parade - Colo Spgs by ☹; ALL Mvs; on Tejon Street in dntn Colo Springs. For info call John O'Donnell at 719.635.8803
- Fr-Sa 20-21 Kruse Auto Auction - Las Vegas by Kruse International, since 1972; all Mvs; at the South Point Casino & Hotel in Las Vegas. Call David Smith at 702.493.9010 or - what else? Cyber on off to www.kruse.com .
- Fr-Su 27-29 Omaha World of Wheels Show by World of Wheels, since 1954; Lotsa neat Mvs there, \$14a/\$5c; F 15-22:00/ Sa 11-22:00/ Su 11-19:00. At the Qwest Center in Omaha. www.Autorama.com .

Apr

- We-Su 01-5 Denver Auto Show. by Metro Dvr Auto Dlrs Assn; Lotsa' new MVs, adm \$10a/\$5c>6; We&Th 17-22:00/ Fr N-22:00/ Sa 10-22:00/ Su 10-18:00, at the Colo. Convention Ctr. at 14th & California. Details at 303.831.1722 or on-line at www.paragonexpo.com .
- Fr-Su 10-19 New York Auto Show. by Peter Conza - all of Motordom? All the shiny new ones, \$? adm; 11-20:30, at Jacob Javits Convention Ctr, xxx 11th Ave. NYC. Lots of info at www.autoshowny.com .
- Sat 11 Car Show & more! by Ms. Wheelchair Colorado Pgm. All MVs, \$20/ veh; setup 10:00, show N-4 PM; at Westminster Senior Ctr, N on Federal fr I-70, W on 72nd Ave. to cor Hooker St. Call Fred Criswell at 303.393.8014
- We-Su 22-26 Westminster Mall Car Show by Model T Club, Mile-High; Ts of course, At Westminster Mall between 88th and 92nd Aves just west of Sheridan [& US36]. Come check out these Tall Ts... Info? Call Sid Arkley 303.561.0489